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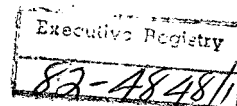
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MEMORANDUM FOR: John N. McMahon
Executive Director

VIA : Robert M. Gates
Deputy Director for Intelligence

FROM : [REDACTED]
Deputy Director of Soviet Analysis

SUBJECT : Financing of Soviet Emigre Interview Project

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1. Action. Approval of Expenditure of Funds for FY 82 through FY 84 for Joint CIA-DOD Funding of Soviet Emigre Project.

2. Background. As you know there has been considerable discussion in the intelligence community about financing for the large-scale Soviet emigre interview project that is currently under way within the American academic community. In principle, there has been general agreement that CIA and DOD will jointly fund this important undertaking.

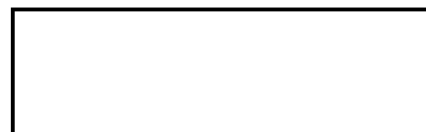
3. We have reason to believe that Admiral Inman had a chance to speak briefly with Secretary Carlucci in mid-December concerning financing of this project along the lines suggested by Maurice Lipton in his memo to the DDCI 14 December (at Annex).

4. Since mid-December the Deputy Director of SOVA, personnel from the Comptroller's Office and the Director of Net Assessment at DOD have had several meetings and conversations regarding the particular menu of financing for this interview effort. Using Mr. Lipton's 14 December Memo as a point of departure, we have worked out a general agreement for joint funding. The details of this agreement were discussed at a meeting in Andrew Marshall's office at OSD on 11 February. They have also been the basis of a common understanding in follow-on conversations with Col. Fred Giessler at OSD as well as with [REDACTED] in our Comptroller's Office.

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5. Funding Profile for the Soviet Emigre Project. The general agreement we have reached provides for an asymmetrical kind of funding profile that roughly evens out over a four year period with CIA contributing [REDACTED] Initially, the Department of Defense will bear the main burden of cost. However, the Agency will steadily increase its share of funding so that an overall balance and matching effort can be achieved roughly by the end of the 1984 fiscal year.

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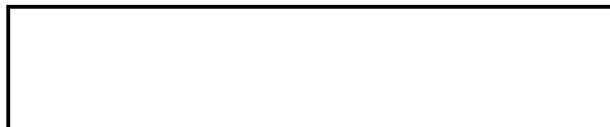
* DoD has already provided roughly in FY 1982, CIA has not provided any funds to date.

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7. Basically, two factors account for the asymmetry of this funding profile. First, the emigre project was originally conceived as primarily a DOD-sponsored effort following the precedent of the old Harvard Interview Project which was funded by the Air Force. CIA was brought into the loop rather late in the planning stage, and this factor has imposed constraints on our short-term funding capabilities. Secondly, project funding requirements rise substantially in the second and third years because of the high costs involved in going into the field this October, administering the general survey questionnaire to 3000 respondents and computer processing of the data. As a result the heaviest outlays for the project will occur in the 1982 and 1983 time period.

8. Current Project Status. The Project Director and his Research Team have been hard at work and have accomplished a great deal over the past few months. They have completed the design of a general survey questionnaire and hope to go into the field with it in late summer or early fall. A number of specialized studies also have been mapped out that seek to target select groups such as military officers, former camp inmates, economic managers, and scientists for more indepth interviews. However, the clock is quickly moving on the project and key funding decisions have to be made now.

9. We would like your concurrence on the funding profile and course of action that have been proposed.



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